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A machine tool drive device comprising in a structure:

- 5 - a line of inlet shafts; and
- angle takeoffs, each having an outlet shaft perpendicular to the line of inlet shafts, each being coupled to the inlet of a reversible gearbox whose outlet shaft carries a pinion, for meshing with a rack,
- 10 in which the line of inlet shafts comprises two shafts in alignment that are coupled together end to end by a torque transmission member that is elastically deformable in torsion, possessing declutchable means for connection in rotation with at least one of the shafts,
- 15 and in which the other end of said shaft is provided with engagement means enabling it to be turned.